

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at the top of page 13 starting at line 1 and concluding at the end of line 8 with the following amended paragraph:

Fig. 7 shows an end view of the bushing 38 of the embodiment of Fig. 1, containing in its internal bore 52 six inserts 150 having curved outer surfaces and flat inner surfaces 152 which are positioned to collectively form ~~an octagonally-a hexagonally~~ shaped central bore 154 coaxial with bore 52 and sized to slidably receive ~~an octagonally-a hexagonally~~ shaped rod 156. In operation, a device 10 including a bushing containing the inserts shown in Fig. 7 would operate the same as the Fig. 1 device described in detail hereabove as the inserts 150 in the circular bore 52 of bushing 38 would simply move inwardly with the center section 40 to clamp the rod 156 in case of loss of pressure to the device.

Please delete "I claim:" from page 24, line 16 of the Specification